

PRESENT WEEK.

Indian, Diplomatic and Pension Appropriation Bills in the Senate.

The Time of the House This Week Will Be Devoted to the Army Reorganization Bill—General Debate Will Continue for Fifteen Hours.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The fact that the anti-scalping bill was made the unfinished business of the senate by Saturday's vote does not necessarily insure its immediate consideration. The general understanding is that this bill will wait upon the peace treaty and the Indian appropriation bill and that the first measure to receive the attention of the senate during the week. The diplomatic and pension appropriation bills also may be considered during the week.

Several speeches on the general subject of expansion are expected to be made.

How much time will be given to the treaty in executive session will depend upon whether the committee on foreign relations considers it in the interest of the treaty to press consideration. There is an effort to arrange a compromise which would permit speedy action upon the treaty, but it is not successful. The indications are for considerable delay. Two compromises are suggested. One of these is for a modification of the treaty or the adoption of a resolution declaratory against the permanent holding of the Philippine archipelago and the other is for a modification of the army reorganization bill on lines desired by the treaty opponents. It is not yet possible to state whether either course will be pursued.

The time of the house this week, except Monday, which has been set aside for the consideration of District of Columbia business, will be devoted to the army reorganization bill. The consideration of this bill, which is regarded as pre-eminently the most important general measure to come before congress at this session, has been delayed by the illness of Chairman Hull, of the military affairs committee. He has recovered sufficiently to pilot the measure, however, and the house has formally agreed to take up its consideration on Tuesday. The general debate, not including three night sessions, is to continue 15 hours. This is as far as the agreement goes. It includes no provision for a final vote.

There exist a wide variety of opinions upon the proposition to increase the standing army. It has a strong majority of the republicans behind it and it comes into the house with the endorsement of the president's message practically as an administration measure.

The democrats and populists are intensely hostile to the whole proposition and intend to fight it to the last ditch. They will have some support from the republican side. The opposition, however, do not desire to embarrass the government and are willing to provide for a temporary increase in the army of 50,000 men in accordance with the provisions of the substitute bill offered by the minority of the committee. Or they are willing to authorize the continuance, temporarily, of the present war strength of the regular army, 62,000—anything in fact, to prevent the creation of a permanent increase. In this they have the sympathy of many of the republicans. The fate of the bill is in grave doubt.

The bill may not be completed this week, as the order permits its consideration to be interrupted by appropriation bills and conference reports.

GEN. MILLER'S EXPEDITION.

It Has Landed on Guimaras Island, Three Miles From Iloilo, Without Opposition From the Natives.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Gen. Miller's expedition has landed on Guimaras island, three miles from Iloilo, without opposition, Gen. Otis cables from Manila.

Landing was necessary, because of the crowded condition of the troops on the transports. Experience has proved that soldiers lose spirit and fighting qualities when confined long on board ship, so the war department asked Gen. Otis to ascertain if it was possible for Gen. Miller to land his expedition near Iloilo. He cabled that it was and was then instructed to order a landing.

It was deemed inadvisable to have this expedition return to Manila without having landed, because it was feared the natives of Luzon would think the Filipinos at Iloilo had repulsed the Americans. The president's policy of pacification will be continued and no attempt to land at Iloilo will be made at present. The island on which the men have landed is healthy.

Kennedy Got a Life Sentence.

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Jan. 23.—Sam P. Kennedy was sentenced by the circuit court Saturday to the penitentiary for life on conviction for the killing of Harrison Steele, near Devon, last fall. He is the first convict in the county ever sent up for life.

Twenty Lives Lost in a Fire.

MADRID, Jan. 23.—News was received Sunday evening from San Sebastian of a terrible fire at Egloibar-Dova, about ten miles west of San Sebastian, in which 20 persons lost their lives.

PART OF PAUL JONES FOUND.

Condition of Wreckage Shows the Naphtha Tank Exploded, Tearing the Vessel to Pieces.

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 21.—The government steamer Pansy touched at Biloxi, Miss., Friday afternoon and reported finding on Breton island a part of the stern of the naphtha launch Paul Jones, also a yawl boat, with bow smashed, and other small articles from the launch. The condition of the wreckage tends to show that the naphtha tank blew up and tore the boat to pieces. The Pansy met the Maud with Jones and Taggart on board. The latter visited the wreckage and identified it as part of the Paul Jones. No bodies were found.

O. F. Fremont and party left Scranton Friday forenoon in the sailing yacht Adelaide, of very light draft, and will visit every nook to the westward. The expedition is provisioned for ten days.

The launch had the following pleasure-seekers on board: Joseph Brinkman, Louisville; Miss Florence Taggart, daughter of Mayor Taggart, Indianapolis; Miss Margerie Woodland, daughter of George Woodland, vice president Prairie State bank, Chicago; Col. Harry C. Yocum, St. Louis; Miss Florence Yocum, his daughter. The crew consisted of three men, whose names are unknown.

The launch, which was owned by Lawrence Jones, a Louisville distiller, was loaned by him to Mr. Yocum, and left Louisville, December 8, for a trip to Florida. She left New Orleans for Pensacola January 3. Since that time nothing definite had been heard from her until Friday, although her loss had been rumored since last Sunday.

News confirming her loss has been brought by oyster fishermen who have known of it for more than a week.

The launch exploded they say on or about January 6 near Bird island, and everything goes to show that all on board were killed at once or drowned soon after. The boat was operated by a gasoline engine, and it is now recalled that she met with several accidents from fire on her way down the river. It is regarded as certain that this engine exploded, but from what cause will probably never be known. The force was such that it not only blew off the pilot house but split the yacht in two.

The men who brought this definite news are engaged in the oyster fisheries off the east Louisiana coast. Last Friday they visited Bird island and found a lumber schooner ashore also a pleasure yacht near the island. The latter, they say, was split in two by an internal explosion. The men boarded the yacht and explored her cabin, breaking open the trunks and taking from them a lot of fine female apparel, and keys and whatever other property they discovered on board.

Although their discovery occurred a week ago, the men did not come to Venice, the nearest settlement, until Friday, when they had to do so to lay in a supply of provisions. In Venice they turned the keys over to a storekeeper, by whom these facts were made known.

The keys bear a tag inscribed "Fletcher & Co., Indianapolis." The clothing taken from the trunk by the men is that of Miss Taggart.

No bodies were seen by the men on or near Bird island, but there is no hope of any one having escaped from the wreck.

The Paul Jones had two boats. One badly stove in was picked up by the Marie Louise, of Mobile. The other, with "Paul Jones" painted on her, was found by the Pansy, of Biloxi.

The three relief expeditions ought to reach Bird island Saturday. Two go from New Orleans, the Zeta and Doulet, and one from Mobile, the Maud. Bird island is merely a sandy reef covered by coarse sea grass.

ARE GETTING DOWN TO WORK

For the First Time, After a Two Weeks' Session, the West Virginia Senate Recognizes the House.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 21.—Both houses of the legislature got to business Friday for the first time after being in session for the second week. The republican senate at last recognized the democratic house. In the senate, the republicans introduced resolutions for the unseating of Kidd, dem., of Gilmer, and for the suspension of Ashby, dem., of Kanawha, pending investigation into the contest for his seat. These resolutions will be acted upon Saturday in retaliation. The democrats in the house served notice of contest upon Spencer, republican, of Boone. The democrats in the senate introduced resolutions declaring vacant the seats of Pierson, of Clay, and Getzendanner, of Jefferson, alleging that by accepting commissions in the volunteer army they forfeited their right to their seats.

Col. Sexton a Trifle Better.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The condition of Col. James A. Sexton, of Chicago, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., now seriously ill at the Garfield hospital here, was a trifle improved Friday.

Bank Robbed of \$3,000.

ARCOLA, Ill., Jan. 21.—Six masked men overpowered the watchman of the Arthur (Ill.) bank Thursday night and then blew the safe with dynamite. They secured \$3,000. The bandits escaped on a hand car.

OREGON MAY GO.

The United States Will Be Firm With the Germans in the Samoan Affair.

Germany is Not Satisfied That Her Consul Did Anything Wrong—John Bull and Uncle Sam Have an Opportunity to Show Their Friendship.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Pending the receipt of definite news from Samoa, the government is preparing for the conference of American, English and German diplomats in regard to the recent trouble at Apia, Samoa. The United States has no intention of getting out of Samoa and the Berlin treaty will be adhered to. The president, it is said, will insist that the treaty be changed so that the United States will be given equal share in the government of Samoa.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—It is generally understood, says the Herald's Washington correspondent, that the note to be presented to Germany in regard to the Samoan affair will maintain that the tripartite treaty has been grossly violated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—The United States dispatch boat Iroquois, which sailed for Honolulu, carried a number of dispatches for the Oregon, which is due at the islands. It is supposed that one of the dispatches related to a possible trip of the Oregon to Samoa.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—It is not yet clear to the foreign office that the German consul at Apia, Samoa, has been guilty of any irregularity. It is said that Germany will not permit any violation of the treaty signed at Berlin. It is given out that the captain of the German warship Flake, at Apia, does not attach much importance to the recent incidents.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Morning Post, in discussing a new arrangement in regard to Samoa, which it regards as imperative, says:

"Great Britain and the United States may frankly welcome the opportunity of giving practical effect to the expressions of good will they have lately exchanged. They may be trusted to respect one another's rights and interests, and we would gladly take a similarly confident view in the case of the third partner in the contract. The growth of ill feeling from America and Germany is a force which will have to be taken into serious account if an effort is not made on both sides to remove it as instances occur. The present occasion is admirably adapted for the beginning of the experiment."

HER LIFE FOR HER JEWELRY.

One Woman Suffocated By Smoke And Another Jumped From a Window During a Fire in Passaic, N. J.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Miss Emma Rumpel, 29 years of age, was killed and Miss Grace Winthrop was injured at a fire in Passaic, N. J., Saturday. The fire broke out in a three-story brick building, on Main avenue, occupied by the ground floor by Rumpel's bakery. Miss Rumpel, after reaching a window from which she could have been reached by the firemen, went back to her bedroom to get her jewelry, was overcome by the smoke and perished. Miss Winthrop jumped from a third story, but was caught in a net spread by the firemen and sustained only painful injuries.

DISPUTED MISSION ROCK.

There Will Be a Struggle in the Courts Between the Government and a Dry Dock Co. for Possession.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—There is likely to be a struggle in the courts before Mission Rock, a small island in the bay, is relinquished to the government by the California Dry Dock Co., which claims the property under a state title. President McKinley has set aside the island as a naval reservation, and it will be seized in the name of the United States. The right to do so will be disputed by the dock company, which has been in possession for many years and has expended nearly a half a million dollars on the island.

MAJ. COMTE ESTERHAZY.

Relieved of His Oath of Secrecy, He Will Appear Before the Court of Cassation Monday.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Maj. Comte Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy, the reputed author of the Dreyfus bordereau, who arrived here Wednesday evening from Rotterdam, to testify before the court of cassation, wrote Saturday to M. De Freycinet, the minister for war, asking to be released from his oath of professional secrecy. M. De Freycinet Sunday acceded to his request and it is believed that Comte Esterhazy will appear before the court Monday. He continues to decline to receive visitors.

Will Offer Concessions to France.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Times, discussing editorially Anglo-French relations, hints that France will be offered concessions in Madagascar as a set-off to the French shore rights in New Foundland.

Double Tragedy in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—John Deithlof shot his wife Sunday after a quarrel. He then shot himself twice. Both died later at the hospital. Deithlof and his wife had not been living together for some time.

AN ANGLO-FRENCH TREATY.

The Lines Laid Down for Negotiations of All Disputed Points Between Great Britain and France.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Paris correspondent of Daily Chronicle says: "I am informed that Sir Edmund Monson (British ambassador to France) in an interview with M. Delcasse (French minister of foreign affairs) has virtually laid down the lines of negotiations upon all disputed points between France and Great Britain. The programme so far amounts to an Anglo-French treaty of the highest historic importance. In official circles Friday night the approaching solution is foreshadowed rather cautiously, but while the amicable, explicit terms which have been hinted to me are scarcely realized as yet, they leave only one or two details of mutual compensation unsettled."

TRANSPORT SHIP PANAMA.

She Will Be Brought to New York and Fitted Out as a Cable Ship and Sent to the Philippines.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—Col. Kimball, of the quartermaster's department, Friday received orders from the war department that the transport Panama be brought to New York to be fitted out as a cable ship. Col. Kimball has been on the lookout for a vessel to be used as a cable ship in the Philippines. She will be fitted with two tanks capable of holding 1,000 miles of cable. The Panama will probably be ready for service in two months and will go direct to Manila.

The hospital ship Relief, which is now at Pier 27, Brooklyn, has also been ordered to Manila.

MAJ. GEN. LEONARD WOOD.

People of Santiago Anxiously Awaiting His Return From Washington—His Presence is Greatly Needed.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Jan. 21.—The people of the city are anxiously awaiting the return from Washington of Gen. Leonard Wood, military governor of the department. His presence is greatly needed in all branches of the government. More than \$2,000 has been subscribed to a popular fund to provide a grand reception. The steamer Reina de Los Angeles left Santiago Friday—again in the possession of her original owners—to take provisions to the United States troops at Jibara.

Clerk Wagenman at Home.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 21.—Al. J. Wagenman, clerk of the criminal court of correction, who is charged with misappropriating funds of his office, and who had been reported missing, returned to his home Friday. In an interview Mr. Wagenman said: "I may be a little short, probably I am. I don't deny the charges that I have used the money of the office for my own use, but my official acts are all right. I have enough money in the bank to pay all demands."

Still Lacks Thirteen Votes.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 21.—The third ballot for United States senator Friday resulted: M. S. Quay, rep., 93; George A. Jenks, dem., 69; John D. Zell, rep., 14; John Stewart, rep., 9; Charles W. Stone, rep., 8; George F. Huff, rep., 5; Alvin Markle, rep., 1; Galusha A. Grow, rep., 1; Charles E. Rice, rep., 1; C. E. Smith, rep., 1; J. F. Downing, rep., 1; E. A. Irvin, rep., 3; Charles Tubbs, rep., 4. Absent and not voting, 42. Necessary to a choice, 106.

Claims to Be an Heiress.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 21.—Mrs. Mary Tyson Williams, of this city, who is 45 years old and has three children, claims to be a niece of James Tyson, the Australian, who recently died, leaving a fortune estimated to be worth over \$25,000,000, and she expects to receive a share of the estate. Mrs. Williams says that Tyson's correct name was Roberts, that he was born at Festing, North Wales, and that her mother was his sister.

Towboat James Moren Sinks.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 21.—The towboat James Moren, owned by the Advance Coal Co., going south Friday with a tow of coal and iron, struck a hidden obstruction at Merriam, just above Sewickley, and sunk a barge of steel rails and a barge and flat of coal. The channel is blocked against tows and no shipments can be made until the obstructions are removed. Only single steamers can pass the wrecks.

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GREAT HEAD.

A Small Saleslady Who Knows a Thing or Two About Manipulating Stock.

It was just before New Year's day, and Mamie and Sadie were having a friendly chat over the counter. Mamie was a diminutive salesgirl, not much older than Sadie, whose daily attention was given theoretically to the cry of "Cash!" "Say, Mamie," remarked Sadie, "did you see them calendars on the table two rooms over?" "Which ones?" "Them 25-cent ones."

"Did I see 'em?" with peculiar emphasis from Mamie as she pulled open a drawer and pointed triumphantly to two specimens of the said calendars. "You bought two of 'em?" in awestruck tones from Sadie. "Well, I ain't bought 'em yet. I just picked out two of 'em and put 'em away. They'll mark the ones that's left down to five cents pretty soon. Then I'll put these here back and buy 'em, quick. See?"

Sadie saw, and her mouth fell open in admiring awe. Then she recovered herself. "Sure," she said, "I'll save one for me?"

Sadie rushed off, and inside of two minutes a third calendar was in the drawer waiting for a drop in prices.—N. Y. Sun.

One on the Rector.

The little daughter of a local clergyman has reached the age where big words are apt to floor her, and where she is very sensitive to the remarks of an older brother. Not long ago she came running to her father. "Papa, papa, George called me names."

"Why, what did George say?" "Oh," said the little girl with a strong expression of disgust, "he said I practiced what I preached. I don't, do I?" "Well, my child, I—"

"But I don't, do I, papa? I don't any more than you do, do I?" And then the rector choked up. But he took a half hour from his sermon and explained the meaning of the obnoxious expression to the best of his ability.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Destined to Be Great.

The shipping clerk kept his rubber stamps in a big, deep box on a shelf near him, "where they are handy," he said. But the errand boy was looking for an opportunity to make himself invaluable, so at noon, while he was "in charge" of the works, he drove small nails into the partition in such a manner that each rubber stamp could be hung separately on two nails. An impression of the stamp was then made upon a small slip of paper, and this slip was pasted above each stamp. The appreciation of the shipping clerk was shown when he said this arrangement saved him at least an hour's work every day. Some day that errand boy will be the proprietor of a business so systematized that he will not grow prematurely old with worry.—Furniture Journal.

In Old Missouri.

Mrs. Olive—It is rumored among the neighbors that your husband beat you last night. Is it true? Mrs. Poplar—There isn't a word of truth in the report. He struck at me several times, but failed to hit me. You know, he played with the St. Louis nine last season.—Chicago Evening News.

An Expedient.

Poet (gloomily)—I don't see how it is going to be possible any longer to keep the wolf from the door. Poet's Wife—You might sit on the doorstep and read aloud one of your rejected poems.—Somerville Journal.

None to Turn Over.

"I thought you were going to turn over a new leaf, John," she said. "Why not?" "There won't be any new leaves until spring."—Chicago Post.

More Fact Than Fiction.

Miss Worth—It's considered impolite to give jewelry to a girl to whom you're not engaged. Mr. Strong—By whom? "By all the other girls."—Jewelry Weekly.

If, as the poet Wither says, "care will kill a cat," it might be well to hang a little of it over the back fence where felines most do congregate.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

It is not the man who contributes most to the campaign fund who assumes to know best how to spend it.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

Lots of men don't know enough to stop poring when they strike oil.—Chicago Daily News.

Many a pair of patent leather shoes cover socks that are full of holes.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

I could not get along without Piso's Cure for Consumption. It always cures.—Mrs. E. C. Moulton, Needham, Mass., Oct. 22, '94.

The man who always says exactly what he means is more numerous than popular.—Chicago Daily News.

Actors, Vocalists, Public Speakers praise Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Zike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

The man who does his own thinking becomes a focus for all the reflectors.—Ram's Horn.

Where's it gone? Ask St. Jacobs Oil. It cured that bruise—gone.

A man's work is an index of his character.—Ram's Horn.

It is easy, sure. It will vanish. Use St. Jacobs Oil for Neuralgia. It's done.

Buzzards never study etiquette.—Ram's Horn.

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A HUSTLING HOST.

He Had a Little Scheme for Making His Guests Pay for Their Dinners.

It was an apparently innocent little dinner invitation which drew a number of California street heavyweights to the handsome home of a capitalist on Pacific avenue, who is no longer popular in the Pacific Union club. After the dinner, which was elaborately planned, perfectly served and thoroughly appreciated, the host led the way to the billiard room, where he produced for the inspection of his friends a new roulette wheel which he had just purchased.

After it had been examined and duly admired monsieur proposed that his friends tempt fortune with it, announcing that he would be banker, and smilingly invited them to "break him." The guests scarcely expected this sort of diversion, but they hardly could decline the "entertainment" which had been provided for them. Having carelessly undertaken to call the turn on the black or the red, they expected to lose a trifle to their host, but they did not anticipate any such financial catastrophe as overtook each of the players.

The bank won steadily. Soon all the player guests were "broke," but the host offered, in an off-hand way, to stake one and all, guarding against a loss of the frequent loans, however, by taking the checks of his friends. For the purpose, with admirable forethought, he had provided himself with blank checks on every bank in town.

There was no escape for his victims. They were all thoroughly trapped and well scorched before they were released. The guests caught the first car home in the morning, the urbane host, with unparalleled generosity, presenting each guest with a nickel to pay his fare.—San Francisco News-Letter.

History.

Teacher of the Future—Who can tell me who was Hobson? One of the Countless Generation as Yet Unborn—Please, he was the hero of the merry snuck.—Indianapolis Journal.

Ignorance and superstition got married before the flood.—Ram's Horn.

NERVOUS DEPRESSION.

[A TALK WITH MRS. PINKHAM.]

A woman with the blues is a very uncomfortable person. She is illogical, unhappy and frequently hysterical. The condition of the mind known as "the blues," nearly always, with women, results from diseased organs of generation.

It is a source of wonder that in this age of advanced medical science, any person should still believe that mere force of will and determination will overcome depressed spirits and nervousness in women. These troubles are indications of disease.

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